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State Fire Marshal seeks Sparky award nominations

Oregon State Fire Marshal Mark Wallace is encouraging Oregonians to submit nominations for the state's 2012 Golden and Silver Sparky awards.

The Golden Sparky recognizes a fire service member for outstanding achievement in fire prevention or public fire safety education. The Silver Sparky is the civilian version, awarded to an individual, non-profit organization, or company for outstanding achievement in fire prevention or public fire safety education.

"I know there are many Oregonians all over the state who have made contributions in fire prevention and fire prevention education, and encourage everyone to let us know about it," says Oregon State Fire Marshal Mark Wallace. "You don't have to be a member of the fire service to nominate someone. Nominations may be submitted by any member of the public as well."

Last year, the Golden Sparky was awarded to Canby Fire Marshal/Division Chief Troy Buzalsky and the Silver Sparky was awarded to the Bay Area Sunrise Rotary Club in Coos Bay.

"All that's required is for the nominator to fill out our single-page nomination form and submit written examples of the nominee's achievements," says Wallace.

The nomination deadline is March 30, 2012. Forms are available on the state fire marshal website at <http://www.oregon.gov/OSP/SFM/docs/Administration/Sparkyform.pdf>.

Send nominations to Chief Deputy State Fire Marshal Jim Walker, Office of State Fire Marshal, 4760 Portland Road NE, Salem, Oregon 97305, or via email to jim.walker@state.or.us.

State Fire Marshal Wallace will present the awards during the annual Oregon Fire Service Meritorious Awards Banquet (time and place, TBD).

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